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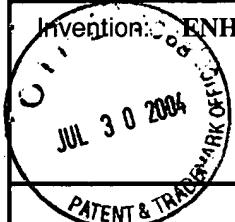
**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.
BAF-10703/29

In Re Application Of: **Ferree**

Application No. 10/007,477	Filing Date November 8, 2001	Examiner Michael Priddy	Customer No. 25006	Group Art Unit 3732	Confirmation No. 2845
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Invention: **ENHANCED SURFACE AREA SPINAL FUSION DEVICES AND ALIGNMENT APPARATUS**



COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of March 25, 2004 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: June 25, 2004 *Date* until: July 26, 2004 *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- is enclosed.
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	15 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x \$43.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00

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